GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6559
ANSWERED ON:09.05.2000
REMOVAL OF EFFLUENT PIPE OF HOC
GEORGE EDEN

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to remove the effluent pipe of Hindustan Organic Chemicals, Ambalamedu which is lying in the river Chitrapuzhee;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (Shri Ramesh Bais)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): The Company has installed a centralized effluent treatment plant at a cost of Rs.1.65 Crore for their Phenol Plant (40,000 TPA capacity) at Ambalamedu, Cochin and the said effluent pipe, some portion of which is laid through the Chitrapuzha river, is part of that effluent treatment Plant. The Company has obtained necessary approvals from concerned authorities for operating this effluent treatment plant, which include a valid consent order from Kerala State Pollution Control Board.